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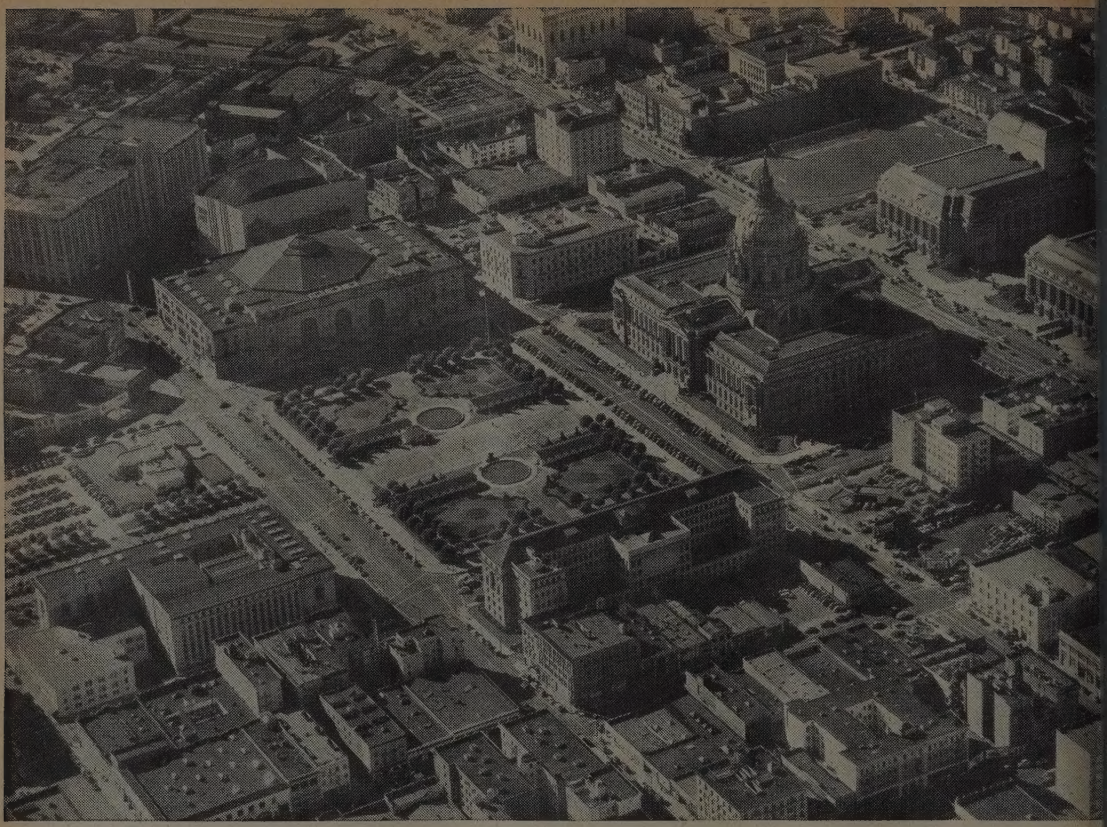

Here is an aerial view of San Francisco's Civic Center. The rectangular building above the Civic Square is the Auditorium which w be the headquarters of the Luther League Convention, June 21-26. The building just below the football field in the upper right corner the Opera House where the United Nations will hold its Tenth Anniversary Commemorative Assembly the same week. Leaguers w gather in the Civic Square for hymnsings following the evening sessions.

LUTHER LEAGUE CONVENTION HYMN

Thee will I love, my strength, my tower,
Thee will I love, my joy, my crown;
Thee will I love with all my power,
In all my works, and Thee alone;
Thee will I love, till the pure fire
Fill my whole soul with chaste desire.

I thank Thee, uncreated Sun,
That Thy bright beams on me have shined;
I thank Thee, who hast overthrown
My foes, and healed my wounded mind;
I thank Thee, whose enlivening voice
Bids my freed heart in Thee rejoice.

Uphold me in the doubtful race,
Nor suffer me again to stray;
Strengthen my feet, with steady pace
Still to press forward in Thy way;
That all my powers, with all their might,
In Thy sole glory may unite.

Thee will I love, my joy, my crown;
Thee will I love, my Lord, my God!
Thee will I love, beneath Thy frown
Or smile, Thy scepter or Thy rod.
What though my flesh and heart decay?
Thee shall I love in endless day.

Cover Photo: Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco

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A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

ear Convention-Going Leaguers:

ft will not be long now! Buses, trains, planes, and ivate cars are ready. In a couple of thousands of congregations, you Leaguers are all set to go. You have a ate at the Golden Gate," and you are ready to keep Fine! You are facing a glorious week. San Francisco going to look different for a few days, and—who ows?—perhaps it will never be quite the same again. Some of us aren't going. In fact, many of us aren't ing. Some can't go. Perhaps it is lack of means, perps lack of opportunity, perhaps lack of time that eps many away. After all, for each Luther Leaguer o goes, a dozen don't go. Remember them during ur trip, will you? They are thinking about you, many them are praying for you. Some of them have a little rt in their hearts because they couldn't go along. Don't rget those who could not keep their "Date at the olden Gate!"

nen there are some of us who don't want to go. I am e of them. Now, don't misunderstand that, please! isn't that I don't like Luther Leaguers; I do, very uch. It isn't that I don't enjoy Luther League convenns; I think they are fine. But, frankly, like not a w others, I think my room will be worth more than y company in San Francisco. At best, you will need available accommodations for those on the program d for you Leaguers. I can't qualify as a Leaguer any ore. Too old by a lot of years.

So I am staying home. However, I'd like to get my wo cents worth" in, and so I am putting this letter on e most prominent page in LUTHERAN HERALD. Many you will not read it, but some of you will. I think I dare to say that what I write represents pretty well what the Church—your beloved ELC—is thinking these days.

What we, your "elders," have to say to you is pretty well summed up in the beloved words, "Go in Jesus' Name." That means a number of things. It means, first, last, and all the time, "Go in the knowledge that Jesus is with you." He really is. He rides every bus and train and car. He is in every room. He attends every session. May you feel His presence. Actually and literally, you have a "Date at the Golden Gate"—with Jesus.

So your conduct will be worthy of the divine company you are keeping. He will not frown on a good time; on the contrary, He will share it with you. But you will not be careless in your speech or conduct. You will remember Scripture's plea, "That in *all* things God may be glorified." How often shame has been brought on our Christ and on our religion by a careless word or a thoughtless deed!

You will want to get everything you can from this meeting. You will want to attend the sessions, take part in the discussions, share in the fellowship, make new friendships and strengthen old ones. In short, you will want to have something as a result of your "date" that you have never had before.

I cannot resist mentioning something you already know: The Tenth Anniversary Assembly of the United Nations will be in session at the very time your convention is. Luther Leaguers will be at the Auditorium; world statesmen will be in the Opera House. The two buildings are not far apart. People from all over the world will be rubbing shoulders with you Lutheran young people.

You can receive something valuable from that contact. Here is an organization which is dedicated to world peace. Here, in a small group of people, are symbolized the hopes and fears and tensions and despair and hatred and love which make up this "crisis world" in which you and I are living. You can learn much from observing that Assembly. Not least, you can learn that Jesus—only Jesus—has the peace which the world needs.

I truly believe that you have something to give to

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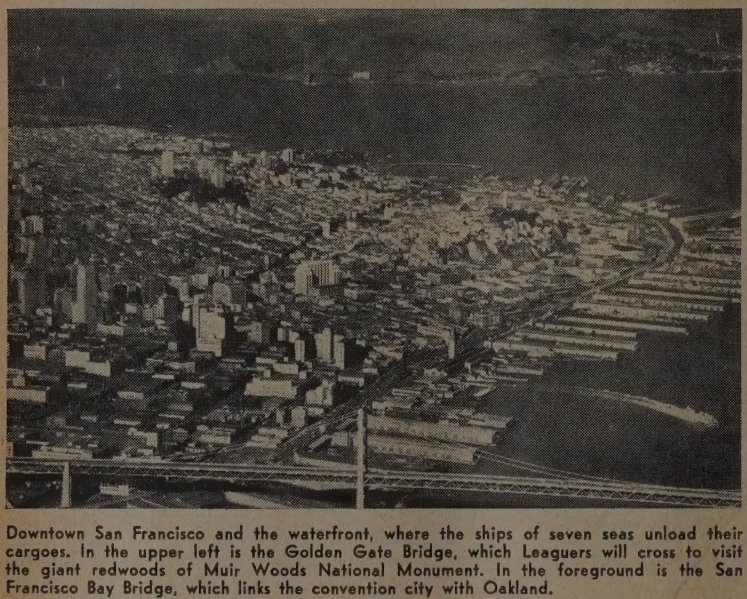
You Have a Date by the Golden Gate

Carroll Hinderlie
ELC Youth Director



Downtown San Francisco and the waterfront, where the ships of seven seas unload their cargoes. In the upper left is the Golden Gate Bridge, which Leaguers will cross to visit the giant redwoods of Muir Woods National Monument. In the foreground is the San Francisco Bay Bridge, which links the convention city with Oakland.

YPLL Convention By-Products

Often heard from pastors who have been promoting the convention trip for their Leaguers: "Nothing brings the best out of our people so quickly as their concern for our youth."

Everywhere one senses the affection, the sense of being knit together in love, of the parish life where a parish has gone all-out to bring its youth to San Francisco in strength. One could cite church upon church. It has been a pleasure to read the mail and the promotional pieces.

To say this is a youth convention is a misnomer. It is a convention which the whole Church makes possible. All its Brotherhoods, WMF's, Couples Clubs, shut-ins, and children will be along when the youth keep their date by the Golden Gate.

Nor has this been done in the sense of making youth feel debtors, but rather with the notion of the privilege of entering into the joy of youth on this glad occasion. We of the youth office thank you, the Church, who have made such joy possible, for yourselves, for your youth and Christ's.

We are happy that many parishes have had thoughtful souls or organizations who have made it possible for the pastor and sometimes also wife to accompany their youth. T investment will return "pres down and overflowing" to your ish life on the return of your sh herd in Christ.

For myself, as youth director, convention has been an experie of a community within God's peo since so many have worked toget with such generosity to make rally of youth possible. A thank to all of you. Continue in pra that the Holy Spirit may find ceptive listeners to His Word t this generation of youth may ind win with Christ.

Our Convention—A Mission

One of our missionary medics furlough came to his pastor. "L and I have been talking," he s "We want you to have fifty doll to help send our Leaguers to Francisco. You know, in the fi we give everything to the miss there. Now at home we want give to what we believe wins m for Christ on the home front. Th why we want to help our yo share in this convention."

A lot of people in the ELC have shared that con tion with the Dr. Hestenes family. They have not statistics, but they have been sensitive to what God doing.

These conventions dramatize what the Church for every teen-ager. They are his first experience the total Church. Perhaps this is why our Lord blessed them for so many commitments to the minis and the mission field. We expect many more from t Date by that Golden Gate through which so ma have sailed on missions for Christ.

These youth are like all of us. We learn most fr one another informally. It is the "idle" word that cou as our Lord said. Just to see some of the sense of from the youth who know Christ is a real conviction sin and what one is missing who has missed Chr Every convention brings reports from someone w had only a passing contact with our youth, but proved an eternal one for them, as Christ won throu the glow of His youth.

A bus-driver, a waitress, a porter, a policeman, just someone who listened to the singing from a r road coach will find themselves no longer spectat but on Christ's winning team because of this conv

)n which at this hour they know nothing about—
ur prayers helping, as Paul emphasized.
It takes a cold-blooded person indeed not to warm at
e thought of 7,000 youth gathering under the banner
Vin with Christ." They are the redeeming Body of
ırist at work among the nations; not just teen-agers,
ıt kings and priests with power to redeem. Christ who
s brought them together will witness through them
the nations. They are His mission to His human race
He gathers them from 113 circuits in the U. S. and
ınada to their convention in San Francisco.
He who is the Lord of the Nations has caused the
nited Nations to share this week with them.
This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our
es. Through the prayers of the shut-ins who read this,
the "retired" elders in their sunset homes, and of busy
ıd sometimes disturbed parents, God will open doors
the hearts of His youth, and through them, to this
stressed world. Win with Christ!

ɛcursions at San Francisco . . . and Enroute

here are those who are unsympathetic to conventions.
ust so much travel," they say. We reply: "God has made all things so richly for you to enjoy" (I Timothy 5:17). Youth of the ELC know how to enjoy all these gifts of their heavenly Father with thankful and lively spirits.

They will visit their National Parks. We are glad that these conventions permit the youth who have no bank accounts, farms, or investments to see their possessions in the beauty of this lovely land.

Casper, Wyoming, is making preparations to welcome all who want to spend the night of June 17 in the hospitality of their parish. Leaguers are to write the Rev. Richard Larson, Sixth and Durbin, Casper, Wyoming, if they would like to have him make reservations for them. Give the number in the group and the type of accommodations preferred. Casper Leaguers will entertain the travelers with a Western program on Friday evening and serve breakfast at Our Saviour's Church on Saturday morning.

Many Leaguers plan to sleep out each night. They will have comfortable sleeping bags for their pillows. Stops for steak fries and swim picnics are part of the itinerary.

Nor does this stop at San Francisco. This city is like

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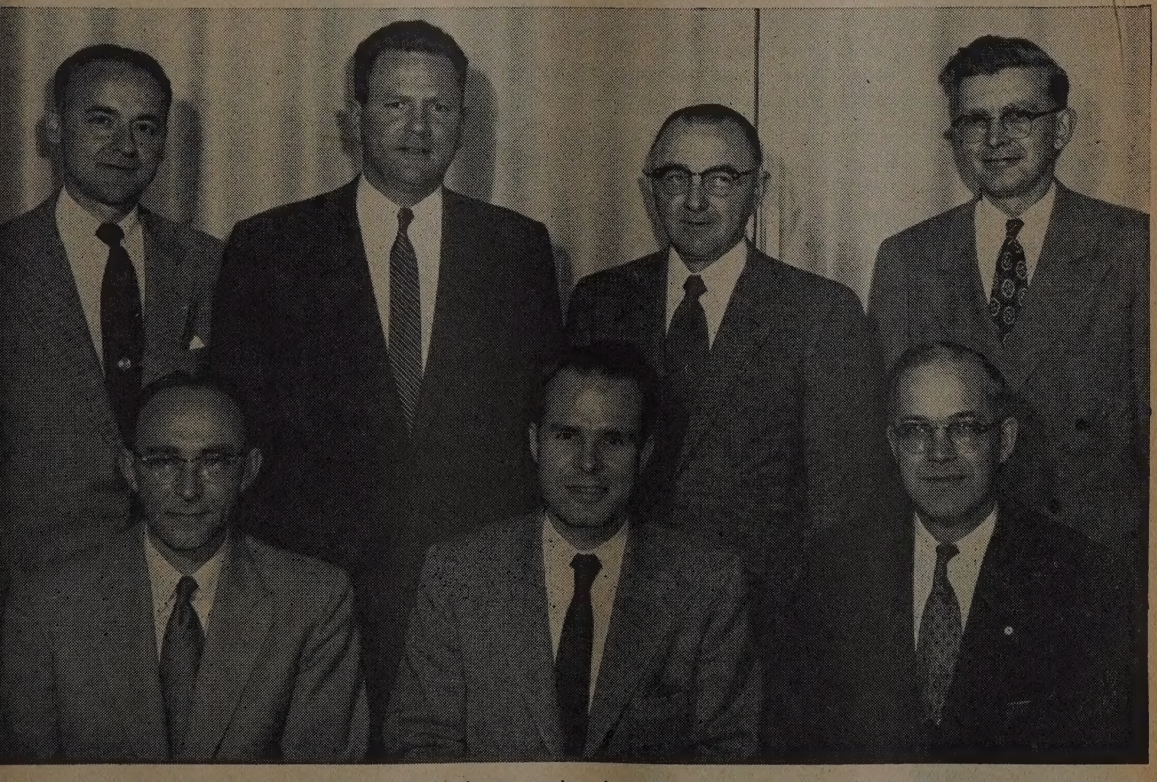


ese men are leaders of a task force of hundreds of volunteer workers from ELC churches of Northern California who are making the ther League convention in San Francisco possible. They are (front, l. to r.) the Rev. Ernest Zoerb of San Bruno, chairman of the ecial events committee; the Rev. Warren Heggem of San Francisco, local convention chairman; the Rev. Harold Brown of Palo to, publicity chairman; (back, l. to r.) the Rev. L. Henry Nielsen of San Mateo, finance chairman; the Rev. Walter Gravrock of akland, spiritual preparation chairman; Mr. Clifford LeRud of San Francisco, co-chairman of the accommodations committee; and e Rev. Merle Tollefson of Lafayette, music chairman.

"Win With Christ"

Preview of the scenes and events of a great rally of ELC youth in San Francisco this month.

That youth of The Evangelical Lutheran Church have a "Date at the Golden Gate in Romans 8" has been heard often this past year. Now it is evident that more than 6,000 Luther Leaguers will travel a total of several million miles to keep that date at the sixteenth biennial convention of the International Young People's Luther League and the Choral Union. San Francisco's Civic Auditorium is the meeting place and June 21-26 are the dates.

Carroll Hinderlie
ELC Youth Director

This is the first convention that has been "tuned in" to an entire chapter of Scripture, rather than to a single verse or passage.

What's in Store for Conventioning Leaguers?

Tuesday evening's opening session springboards the youth into the might of their theme with the keynote address by international YPLL president, Marcus Gravdal, "Won by Christ." Also, Dr. Fredrik A. Schiotz, president of the ELC, will speak on "One for Christ" at the installation of the youth director, the Rev. Carroll L. Hinderlie, and the associate youth director, the Rev. David Brown.

That first day in San Francisco will already have been a full one, with registration, the preliminary vocal contest, prayer services at 4 P.M. in two churches, and rehearsals of the Matins Choir, the Choral Union, and the Convention Band.

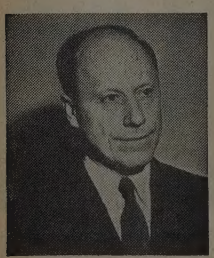
Worship is at the heart of a wholesome relationship to God. Matins at 7:15 A.M. each morning, led by Pastor Erling Thompson of Parkland, Washington, will be held in Grace Cathedral, the most beautiful church in San Francisco. The Episcopalian diocese has offered the use of this cathedral to our youth free of charge, because, as Bishop Block explained, "Your Lutheran youth w know how to reverence a cathedral."

Wednesday's theme is the challenge of Christ's wo mission, with Dr. Walter Judd, Congressman fr Minnesota, speaking in the evening on "Christ Is Lo of the Nations." Also at this service Dr. Erling Hesten missionary on furlough, will bring a greeting from t South African mission field of the ELC; Mrs. Osc Branstad of Forest City, Iowa, president of the Wome Missionary Federation of the ELC, will respond for t sending Church; and funds gathered by the YPL during the past biennium for a new mission amo industrial workers in Durban, Natal, will be present to the Foreign Mission Board. Dr. Lawrence Stav president of Augustana College, Sioux Falls, S. Da and a member of the executive committee of the Unit States National Commissio for UNESCO, will "emce the program.

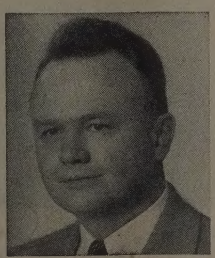
Elmer S. Hjortland
Pastor, Central
Lutheran, Mpls.

"Commitment" is Thu day's theme, with empha on youth evangelism. Past Conrad Thompson, direct of the ELC's Evangelis Division, concludes the d with a message on, "Y Are Won to Win."

Friday is the natural c max of this convention, wi



Fredrik A. Schiotz
President of the ELC



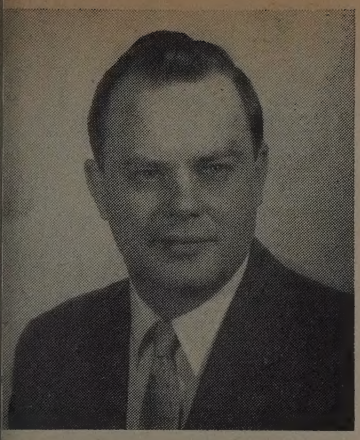
Marcus Gravdal
International YPLL
President

BRIEFING FOR LEADERSHIP TRAINING

A briefing session in preparation for this summer's Luther League Leadership Schools will be conducted by Pastor C. Richard Evenson at the Whitcomb Hotel in San Francisco, starting at 1:30 on Wednesday, June 22, continued on Friday, June 24, at an hour to be announced.

Deans, Bible teachers, skill trainers, and program study directors for the 1955 schools who did not attend the briefing session either at Saskatoon or Camp Ihduhapi are expected to attend.

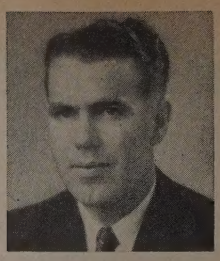
Any pastors or Luther League counselors who are interested in the leadership training program and the group work techniques being emphasized this year are invited to attend these sessions in San Francisco.



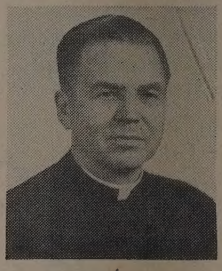
e Reverend L. David Brown, pastor since 51 of Our Savior's Lutheran Church at ew Ulm, Minnesota, will be installed as sociate youth director of the ELC at the ening session of the San Francisco Luther ague Convention. At the same service the verend Carroll L. Hinderlie, youth direc- r since last September 1, will be officially talled.

Pastor Brown received his B.A. degree m Concordia College, Moorhead, Minne- ta and is a 1951 graduate of Luther Theo- gical Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. He ll begin work in the Luther League Office August 1.

S. C. Eastvold
President, Pacific
Lutheran College



Conrad Thompson
Director of ELC
Evangelism



Alvin N. Rogness
President, Luther
Theological Seminary

Walter H. Judd
Congressman from Minnesota

ıe emphasis on God's activity in the local congrega- on. In the evening, Dr. Elmer S. Hjortland, pastor of Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, will speak on The Winning Team." A service of consecration to the ork of the Lord in local congregations will be led by)r. Schiotz.

"Victory Assured" will be the topic of an address by)r. S. C. Eastvold, president of Pacific Lutheran Col- ge, Parkland, Washington, at the Communion service n Saturday evening.

he Daytime Program

Bible study hours in Romans 8 will begin each forenoon, lso Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Pastor L. Henry Nielsen, San Mateo, California, will lead the high school ection. Pastor Carlyle Holte and Dr. Howard Hong, oth of the faculty of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, will be in charge of Bible study for young dults and for pastors and counselors, respectively.

Dar Roa, youth evangelist, has planned stimulating rograms for the 10:15 A.M. sessions, featuring a good eal of youth participation. Pastor Gordon Smedsrud f Ames, Iowa, president of the South Central District f the YPLL, will speak Wednesday morning on, Youth, Evangelize!" "Sanctification and God's Word" vill be the topic on Thursday of Dr. William E. Hulme, ounselor to students at Wartburg College, Waverly, owa. Friday's morning event will be a musical program on the way of salvation. Saturday forenoon is given to a program on the local Luther League and to the business sessions of the YPLL and the Choral Union.

An audio-visual presentation on how Christ works through the departments and auxiliaries of the ELC, produced by A. Ray Johnson, director of ELC Films, is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon. A youth panel, discussing, "Christ Wins Through My Witness" and led by Pastor Bernhart Hansen of Los Gatos, California, first vice-president of the YPLL, will be featured Friday afternoon.

Sunday morning the convention session becomes a Lutheran rally service for the Bay Area. The sermon, "More Than Conquerors—Christ's!" will be given by the youth director, Carroll Hinderlie. The convention concludes on Sunday afternoon with the festival concert of the Choral Union and the message, "To Share His Glory," by Dr. Alvin Rogness, president of Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota.

There Will Be Music

Many will "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" with voice and instrument at this convention. Among them will be one hundred Leaguers chosen to be members of the Convention Band, playing under the direction of Leif I. Christianson of the music faculty of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota. Paul Opsahl will be his assistant, in charge of the "brass choir" which will ac-

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"Let Song Be Beautiful"

M. A. Egge
President, Choral Union

The director of the Choral Union, Mr. Oscar Overby, has an unusual knack for writing words that are full of meaning as well as beauty. Perhaps it is the artist in him. In a Choral Union publication he recently had one statement that caught my eye. He wrote: "When the pride of man lies in defeat, and when the rally theme is 'Win with Christ,' the Christian spirit craves the elevation of triumphant song. Remember June 26."

In that spirit the Choral Union will join with the Luther League in bringing six glorious days to a climax in San Francisco. After hearing messages from the Word of God for nearly a week, all focused on the theme, "Win with Christ," there will need to be an outlet for thanks and praise to God in song. Too, there will be a desire in everyone's heart to sing the Gospel into the hearts of others. The songs will provide one opportunity for that.

Sunday afternoon, June 26, at 3:00 P.M. is the time for the concert. It is expected that upward of 2,000 singers will join in the chorus, accompanied by the 200-piece convention band. Song ought to be beautiful when so many musicians get together for a festival.

My particular reason for writing these words is to invite and encourage all the church choirs in the San Francisco Bay area to participate in the Choral Union and to join in song with the many hundreds of young people coming from all parts of the United States and Canada. Choirs of other Lutheran churches in the Bay area are being invited too, for we know they would like to join us.

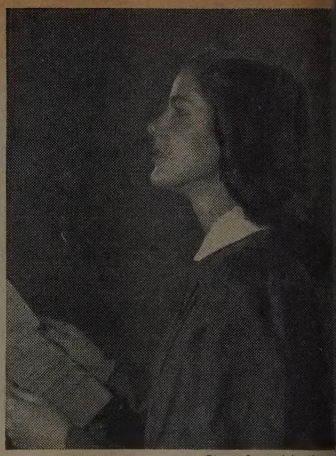
Joining with the Choral Union in the Sunday concert will be the Chapel Choir from Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. This fine choir, from our sister American Lutheran Church, will be on tour at that time. The Chapel Choir will sing one group of anthems.

The speaker for the concert will be the Reverend Alvin N. Rogness, D.D., president of Luther Theological Seminary, Saint Paul.

So, all you singers, get the music and learn it well, and join with singers from many places in making song beautiful at San Francisco.

Anthems to be sung are:

Praise, O Praise Our God and King—Wolff
O Send Thy Light Forth—Balakireff
Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light—Bach
Make a Joyful Noise Unto God—Glarum
Let Song Be Beautiful—Kranz-Overby
The Cradle—Arr. by Paul Christiansen
Praise to the Lord—Arr. by F. Melius Christiansen



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A Challenge to Laymen

Gordon Aasgaa
Editor, Lake Mills (Iowa) "Graph

Every layman has an obligation to his Church, and t the least of these is his obligation to that great body full-time builders of the Kingdom, men and wom who have been called to labor in the Vineyard, men a women who provide much of the pulsating vitality a leadership of the Church.

Their well being and economic security is the dir responsibility of the Church and no layman who p takes of the benefits of his Church and is served w and faithfully by this host of full-time Kingdom bui ers, can escape this responsibility. It is not enough support them with prayers, good deeds, and co-operati Substantial financial support is also needed.

The pension program of the Church provides one the avenues for the fulfillment of the layman's financ responsibility to his Church.

Through an adequate pension program the full-ti worker can now look forward to some degree of e nomic security when the age of retirement creeps up him. This security is important to the whole work the Church. It raises the economic level of the full-ti worker. It helps attract men and women who mi otherwise seek other outlets for God-given talents. allows retirement from full-time service when age l slowed the ability and vigor of earlier years.

On the wings of faithful servants the Church mo forward. Anything that provides strength and gi

ring to this great host of full-time workers redounds the glory and benefit of the whole program of the urch.

Likewise, an adequate pension program redounds to glory of the layman, for it too is another demonation of his stewardship. What the Lord has comnded us to do, let us do wholeheartedly and with ndance. The pension program as we have it today notes progress from the years of bare subsistence.

But let us not rest on these laurels. An adequate pen- n program of the Church is a continuing program, growing program, one which must be guarded, care- ly administered, and faithfully supported with even eater gifts. The challenge is ever present, resting ghtly on the broad shoulders of God-fearing and voted Christian laymen.

ortnightly Review

Fredrik A. Schiotz
President of the ELC

cently the government of Tanganyika, East Africa, eased a news item that should gladden the hearts of mbers of the participating churches in the National theran Council. The Mka Mangi of the 500,000 agga tribe was appointed the first and only represenive of all the African women in Tanganyika to serve the Legislative Council. Perhaps this bald statement fact requires some background if it is to move the art to thanksgiving and gladness.

Tanganyika was German East Africa before 1919. ce then it has been a British mandate, administered der accountability to the League of Nations and since 45 to the United Nations. The Tanganyika governnt has been seriously concerned that some day the rritory should be self-governing. Recently, the Legisive Council, appointed by the governor, was reorgan- d and enlarged to the number of 61. The Council ll be divided into "officials" sitting with the governnt on the administration benches and representatives African, Asian, and European groups termed "unicial." Each of these three groups has parity represenion, a major constitutional advancement in Tangan- ka history, and notably different from the political nd in South Africa. There are three women on the uncil, one representing the Europeans, one the Ins, and the Mka Mangi, the Africans.

Of the seven Lutheran mission fields in Tanganyika, e Northern Area, where missionaries are supported by theran World Action funds, is the home of the largest and most vigorous Church, the Lutheran Church of Northern Tanganyika, numbering over 91,000 members. It was this Church which was received as a member of the Lutheran World Federation at the Vienna meeting of the Executive Committee last February.

A substantial part of the membership of the Lutheran Church of Northern Tanganyika comes from the Chagga tribe. The three paramount chiefs among the Chagga are members of the Lutheran Church. A few years ago the government introduced an elective system that designated a chief who should be the ranking paramount chief, superior to each of the three appointed by the government. The people elected Thomas Marealle II, also a member of the Lutheran Church of Northern Tanganyika. It is his wife, Mrs. Thomas Marealle, who has now been given the distinction of being the first African woman in Tanganyika to sit on the Legislative Council. In her official position as the wife of the paramount chief she is known as the Mka Mangi.

Mrs. Marealle is a graduate of Ashira Girls School, a teachers' training school for girls, organized by our missionaries and supported jointly by the government and Lutheran World Action gifts. In 1953 she and her husband attended the Coronation in London. After the festivities she remained in Great Britain for six months to study and observe.

As a Church we salute the Lutheran Church of Northern Tanganyika for the training it provided in its homes, congregations, and schools so that this daughter of the Church was ready when the opportunity came to serve her Lord and her people in the councils of government.

You Have a Date

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a lovely national park itself. There are long noon hours and supper hours. Fares will be at a special discount to Leaguers on the street cars. Bay cruises at discount prices, bus tours of our Home Mission parishes—all are prearranged for Saturday afternoon. There are beaches, and the lovely Golden Gate park for bike-rides or horses to ride on the bridle-paths.

The smell of the sea and the fishmarket, the sound of fog horns, and the clamor of the cable-cars will all be warm, human memories of a land rich in wonder and delight. To whom do they more properly belong than to God's children? We are thankful that the parishes of our ELC have been rich in loving hearts who know there is no age in God's Kingdom and have given this gift to their youth.

There is still room in our convention hall (which can seat 10,000) for any of the elders who want to join our songs, share our laughter, and prize these days of our Date at the Golden Gate.

"Saint" Emily Post?

We read an article the other day in a religious magazine which suggested (doubtless with tongue in cheek) that Emily Post, supreme arbiter of etiquette and social graces, should be made a saint. Why not canonize some person whose example might lead church-goers—this was the argument—to show the same courtesy and consideration in the house of God that they do in each other's homes and in public places? The same day we happened to read a list of "discourtesies in church" which added point to the plea for a "Saint Emily Post."

In the Lutheran Church we do not canonize or beatify people. We are quite content to reserve the word "saint" for those who are members of the Communion of Saints, that is, for all members of the household of God. Yet the idea of making "conduct in Church" a matter of special saintliness appeals to us. Just two examples:

An office visitor recently opened the conversation with this question: "When you have been a dinner guest in somebody's home, don't you usually say 'Thank you' for the meal?" We opined that such is our standard practice. She continued: "Some people don't stop to thank God when they have been His guests." Then she went on to tell of an experience she had during Holy Week. She attended Holy Communion services in a very large church. There were hundreds of communicants. As the Distribution proceeded she noticed that a great many of those who had knelt at the altar to receive the elements immediately left the church. She asked, "Isn't it true that the closing part of a Communion service is for thanksgiving?" Recalling the lovely Hymn of Thanksgiving and the unforgettable Collect of Thanks, we agreed that that was certainly so. She concluded, "So they weren't very polite, were they? They left the table without saying 'Thank You' to their host." Correct. Perhaps there should have been a statue of "Saint Emily Post" in the narthex of that church to remind worshippers of the elements of courtesy.

That was a serious breach of "church-going etiquette" which went far beyond mere courtesy. There are other breaches, less serious, but not the less deplorable. Here is one: Unless there is some special reason, we doubt whether it is quite courteous to jam the rear pews while the front pews present an expanse of unoccupied wood. Why force women with little children, for example, to traipse to the front of the church where the little folks who exercise their inherent prerogative of wiggling and crying disrupt the service and the mother has to make a spectacle of herself by marching the length of the church in order to restore peace to the worship? It just doesn't make sense. "Saint Emily Post" will not blame the mother, but her remarks concerning the "back pew legion" may be a bit caustic.

Perhaps we *do* need "Saint Emily Post."

EDITO

Postscript on

In March the editor delivered himself of a one-pa editorial which asked the question, "Are Baccalaure Services Necessary?" The resulting applause was deafening, nor did the sounds of agreement re-ec from the surrounding hills. On the contrary, there more expressed disagreement by a good deal than th was agreement with the editor's rather cautiously pressed doubts about the wisdom of conducting B calaureate services as a part of the graduation festivi of a tax-supported school.

The "Postcript" which is hereby submitted is written in order to say, "I told you so." It is written cause we fear that we did not make our point qu clear last time we wrote, and because we now have example close to home of what it is we fear. We h our readers will bear with us if we rehearse a deplora story and make a few comments on it.

In the city of Minneapolis, we have justly prided o selves on the excellent relations which exist betw people of varying faiths. It is a church-going city, fil with hundreds of large, active congregations, Protest Catholic, and Jewish. In the twenty-odd years the ed has made this his home, he can recall no previous stance where difference in religious faith has entered to disrupt even a small part of the community.

It was left for the "Baccalaureate" question to that. True, it was not a graduation service that sta it, but it was the impending commencement exerc that brought it to a head. It started with a so-cal "Easter program" which was held in one of the ci high schools, under the auspices of the school's H clubs, which are affiliated with the YMCA.

Speaker was a Protestant pastor who is also a mem of the city's Board of Education. His subject was, "T Live Forever." It was the sort of address one might pect under the circumstances. The preacher expres his faith in immortality of some sort, going a good farther than the insipid "live in the hearts of men" t of immortality that so often disgraces the Christ faith on similar occasions. However, not the most c itable person could call it other than a travesty on actuality of Christianity's greatest message, "Becaus live, ye shall live also." We know nothing whate about the speaker's theology or personal faith. Perh he did as well as most men would do under the im

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ble circumstance of attempting to speak on such a ubject in such an assembly.

The results have been tragic. A fundamentalist pastor f the city registered a personal complaint to the speaker, ut that fact did not at the time, as far as we know, ecome general knowledge. However, the Roman Cath-lic Church took steps to protect its pupils from a pos-ble repetition. The pupils of two large parishes have een advised that they cannot attend religious-type pro-rams in the high school, including the Baccalaureate ervice scheduled for June 5. Reference has been made an earlier official pronouncement by the Roman atholic archbishop of the area to the effect that it is nly school programs "designed to instill the spirit of atriotism and good citizenship in the members of each raduating class" that they may attend.

So much for the facts. The daily press handled the tory with restraint. One paper published quite a lengthy tory about it one day and followed the next day with he publication in full of the text of the address which aused the trouble. Both school authorities and Roman atholic ecclesiastical authorities made it plain that the ess said about it in the public press, the better they would like it. As far as we have been able to determine, ne of the dailies paid no attention to the story at all. *Religious News Service* carried quite a lengthy story.

That is all that need be said about the incident itself. However, one could comment at great length on its ignificance and implications. They are not good. We quote with complete agreement a few sentences from he Rev. Joseph Baglio, director of the Catholic Youth Center. Among other things he said: "All we are trying o do is to be painfully consistent. . . . Our Constitution ays that we have freedom to worship. In line with that, no Catholic, no Protestant, or no Jew should be co-erced to attend any service offensive to his principles. When a student is expected to go to a service that is contrary to his own belief, he is being obligated to violate his own conscience." Our sentiments exactly!

From that point on, however, we find ourselves in disagreement with the priest. He went on to state that n the past "teachers in charge of the programs have thoughtfully gone over them with Catholic elements so they would not be offensive." Such a procedure he evidently approves, which simply points up the totally impossible situation when religion of a sectarian nature gets into the public schools. One wonders if also the Lutheran, and Presbyterian, and Jewish, and atheistic "elements" were similarly consulted, lest something give also those "elements" offense. The answer is, obviously, "No." In other words, *one* religious group is consulted, the others are not.

That is the point of our objection, put as simply as possible. To summarize: Possible violation of conscience is involved; a breach of the wall of separation of Church and State is certainly implied; certain children are exposed to the censure or ridicule of their fellows; and there is the constant danger of disrupting good relations among people of differing faiths who otherwise manage to get along first-rate.

We were much interested in the comment of one of the keenest reporters in Minneapolis. The gentleman told the editor of LUTHERAN HERALD that our recent editorial struck him as being rather unnecessary when it appeared. He went on to say that he now sees, as a result of the Minneapolis episode, that principle is actually involved. We fully agree.

Perhaps we should add that most of the protests we received when last we wrote on this subject came from people in communities more rural and small-town than urban. We readily grant that these may present a totally different problem. In cases where communities are completely homogenous in religion, there would be no problem at all. However, it has repeatedly been demonstrated that these matters do cause far too much trouble. We still believe our original question should be answered, "Are Baccalaureate Services Necessary?"

Letter to Leaguers

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the United Nations, too. Not least to those who have a far different world view and life philosophy than we. Let them see how Christian young people act! Let them hear you sing. It might do them good!

That, I think, is about it. No, wait a little, please; I almost forgot something. Come back safe and sound! If you are driving, drive like Christians, for your own protection and for the safety of others. The person who disobeys traffic laws and speed limits, who drives carelessly and recklessly, is not only dumb (he certainly is that!). He is also deliberately a sinner. Be as careful as you can. We need you!

Forgive this lengthy letter. We who are at home are so vitally interested in you; we love you so much. Your welfare is ours. Our future is yours, yours is ours.

God go with you as you keep your "Date at the Golden Gate."

THE EDITOR

A Shadow in the Arctic

John L. Maakesta

It was cast by the low swinging arc of the March sun on the shore of the Bering Strait. I saw it from the front steps of the Anna Huseth Memorial Lutheran Mission at Shishmaref, Alaska. It was the Shadow of the Cross. The sight was so impressive and significant that I recorded it with my camera. I saw it again in the bright faces of the Eskimo children coming to their weekday Bible classes. I saw that shadow in the devout, happy faces of the people as they came to the group meetings, the choir practice, and the worship services. I saw it in the little homes where the aged and the sick eagerly listened as the Word of God was read and interpreted and prayer was said, and in the way they said, "Thank you!" to Pastor Norval Hegland, superintendent of our Eskimo Missions, and me for the visit. I saw it in the attitude of divine love as it walked in and out among the people in the person of Miss Helen Frost, God's angel to the Eskimos of our mission field. I saw it in the lonesome little cemeteries where Eskimo lay beside missionary awaiting the glorious liberation of the children of God. And I thought to myself, "It has cost something to put that shadow here—something big. But it was worth it all, easily worth it all." And I was filled with a spirit of thanksgiving and amazement that I should be chosen for a part in this great enterprise.

This particular adventure (and the word is well chosen, for what can be more fabulously adventuresome than to walk and work with God?) began very unobtrusively with a simple question. Pastor Hegland was on the asking end. "Would you consider a call from the Home Mission Board to Shishmaref?" I looked at him to see if he was kidding or suffering from the heat. We were in Fairbanks where I was pastor of The Evangelical Lutheran Church. I had been there a little over four years and things were going nicely. The congregation and I were making steady progress. Besides, I had been "broken in" and was directing the Service Center for the Service Commission, carrying on student work at the University of Alaska, and acting as general contact man for the Lutherans in all of the interior of Alaska. I felt that I was deep in a mighty important job. As I looked at him, I could detect neither jest nor heat exhaustion but rather sincere earnestness. Prompted by our concept of the Divine Call I answered, "Why, yes, I'd consider a call of the Church from any place."

The call came the last of January, 1955. Fairbanks Lutheran Congregation joined us in prayer for guidance to know God's will. The deliberation is more complex when a wife and three children are involved (Gene three months old, Walter two years, and Laura four years), I am sure you will understand. Louise and I stood surrounded by the prayers of our dear congreg tion, family, and friends, in the presence of God know His will. Within a week we had His answer ar promise, "Go . . . and lo I am with you always." To l outside of God's will is disastrous, to be in it is victo ious. Human reason and personal considerations sho loud, but God's voice is clear and definite. We accepte

And so here I was in the favored position of bein able to make a reconnaisance of my new position. I ha set aside five days in the busy Lenten season for th purpose. Chaplain M. L. Chaner of Ladd AFB (ULCA promised to take my services in Fairbanks while I wa gone. I arrived by air at Nome in the teeth of the wor blizzard of their winter—and certainly the worst I hav ever experienced. My fur hat and heavy overcoat, ad quate for 50° below in Fairbanks, felt like a Panam straw and a bathrobe in the blizzard. I said to myse through clenched teeth as I floundered toward the te minal building, "Why do people live here, anyhow? (That same "breeze" blew intermittently for two week and stretched my stay by 300%.) Later more calm thought reminded of how God said to man, "Replenis the earth, and subdue it; and have dominion over th fish of the sea, the fowl of the air, and over ever living thing that moveth upon the earth." So they ar here under divine assignment. I think theirs is th hardest part of the earth to subdue. My respect for th Eskimo became tremendous. And because they are her we must be here with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I went to the home of our first resident missionarie at Nome, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Johnson. They ministe to 250 Eskimo who have in recent years moved t Nome. Mr. Johnson must return to the seminary nex fall. A full-time pastor and new church are planne

The next day, while the blizzard was catching its breath Pastor Hegland came down to get me in the missio plane furnished by the LDR. We arrived in Teller a hour later. Weather kept us from flying on to Shish maref as planned, so we remained at Teller over Sunday How touching it was to hear the Eskimo sing th Christian hymns and to preach the Word of God t their attentive ears. Pastor and Mrs. Hegland, with Pau Mary, and Ruth, live at Teller.

The weather raised just enough for Hegland an me to hop over to Teller Mission where Miss Noree Paulson is in charge. This is the cradle of our Eskim missions. Here Pastor Brevig over 50 years ago bui and preached and taught. I went out to the cemetery t see the graves of Mrs. Brevig and two of their children among those of the Eskimo they loved and led int the Kingdom of God. I thought to myself, "This

ply ground." I read the words, "Blessed are the dead hich die in the Lord" (Revelation 14:13). That is lorious truth whether they lie beneath the ice and snow the frozen gravel of Alaska's Arctic or under the nshine and flowers of California.

We did odd repair and improvement jobs around the ission. The weather cleared for a day, so we went back y Teller and picked up Miss Helen Frost who had een visiting all of our missions as a farewell gesture. Within one and one-half hours we were winging in over ty future parish at Shishmaref—a little clump of tar- apered buildings housing 175 Eskimo. There was a pod reception committee awaiting as we taxied up. The first words I heard were "Hi! We miss you, Miss Helen Frost. We sure glad to see you come back." She as certainly won a place in their hearts by her devoted ervice to them. They made Hegland and me welcome, oo. The Eskimo are an open-hearted, friendly, hospi- ible people. Their greeting even to a stranger is a broad mile.

From the plane we walked up to the well proportioned nd well planned mission building. It was built by the ev. E. H. Dahle in 1930 under sponsorship of the DR. Pastor Dahle's experience in the other missions f Alaska helped him to produce here a masterpiece of onstruction and design. Overall dimensions of the uilding are 30x44 feet. There are living quarters and a rge classroom on the first floor and an attractive chapel eating 200 on the second floor. It is wonderful to see he progressive foresight that included in the construc- on a 110 volt Diesel electric plant. Louise will be able o use her mixmaster, electric iron, etc. There is a ood electric washer and it will be possible to include a as heated electric dryer which will solve a big problem f housekeeping in this land of long winters. And, by he way, there is also a bath tub. It has a drain but o running water. This must be carried in from nearby resh water lakes in summer or melted from ice and now in winter.

So we come to the place we began this little chat, the ront steps of the Mission at Shishmaref, Alaska. I had ntended to spend only five days on this expedition, but veather kept me for 15.

I was sorry that somehow the wind didn't blow us by he Lost River Mission where the Rev. Albert Tastad vorks among the tin miners, many of whom come from ur mission villages. That would have made my tour f the Eskimo Mission Field of our Church complete. However, another opportunity will come.

Our plans are to leave Fairbanks after Easter to visit ur parents in Texas and Arizona before going to our vork at Shishmaref. We plan to be there the first of uly.

The Christian's Sacrifice

Harold B. Kildahl

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

June 12, 1955

Text: Matthew 16:24-27

One thing that is clear from the text, certainly, is that the sacrifice our Lord here requires of those who would follow Him is not a spasmodic sacrifice, not a procession of reluctances or hesitations, not one of periodic fasts or penances, nor anything that is small or easy to come by. Rather, He is thinking in terms of life itself, the whole life, the totality of man and all his capacities. He is thinking of life as a consecrated journey of those who would come after Him.

It isn't something easy to come to. There are many who have never reached that point of the hymn writer's words: "Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee," although they do sing the song quite lustily. Too many have yielded certain areas of life, without following through with all of life. For all too many, religion is a kind of hop, skip, and jump affair. Prayers are prayed when life becomes a bit desperate. Worship is an experience only when weather or circumstances are conducive to worship. Gifts are given with measured solemnity and too often represent only the surface or the surplus. Consciences are salved with the thought that, after all, the gift that is given compares quite favorably with what others are doing.

Our Lord speaks forthrightly in the text. Look it over carefully. You will readily see that He is requiring of His disciples denial of self, cross-bearing, and adherence to His command as they follow Him. What does it all mean? What is the sum of this requirement? It is life. It is your life. It is the life of every man who would be a Christian. This does not mean that you are to lay down your life right now in a martyr's manner. It means rather that your life as it is lived from day to day should be a praise to Him, ever conscious of His goodness, ever awakened to His causes, ever alerted to the needs of men, ever ready to speak a word of witness, to offer services and sacrifices for the cause of man's redemption and salvation. It is just as much a sacrifice to give life to the cause of Christ from day to day as it is to suffer a martyr's death.

He goes on to say that there will be a reward to the faithful. Of course there will be a reward. How could it be otherwise? Did not Christ die to save the souls of men? Did He not make open the way to heaven? For whom is heaven open? For the faithful, of course—the believer, the follower, the one who clings to the cross of Christ and makes the sacrifice of life for the glory of His name. Amen.

Progress in Madagascar

A Good Conference

The Rev. O. L. Hofstad, superintendent of our mission in Madagascar, is on the Church Council for the Malagasy Lutheran Church and has also been serving as a delegate at the General Convention this year. He writes about this Convention that they have made considerable progress in organization of the Church and have revised and adopted the Constitution and By-Laws. About the meeting he writes as follows:

"Taking it all in all we had a good meeting though rather drawn out by long discussions over matters that some of us felt could have been handled by committees. At any rate, we finished with all of the Laws and By-Laws of the Church so these can now be published. From here on, our Tri-Annual Meetings should be of shorter duration. Coming as we do from churches with such varied organizational backgrounds it is to be expected that there are many things to be ironed out which take both time and patience. You will perhaps be interested in hearing election results. Superintendent Dahl of the Tulear Regional Synod was elected president; Quanbeck of the L.B.M., vice-superintendent, and Rajaobelin of Tananarive, district secretary."

"The Doctor" Returns

Also from Madagascar we have word from Dr. and Mr Rolph Bolstad. They give their impressions upon r turning to the mission field after a brief furlough. D Bolstad is our first missionary doctor in Madagasca The hospital building was begun before he left, and now in full use even though not completely equippe Our mission is the only one that thus far has been ab to have full-fledged medical work in Madagascar so w consider the privilege that we have to be outstandin Dr. Bolstad has been doing a great deal of caref diagnostic work. He had been told that that area w free of Bilharsiasis, a disease caused by a liver flu commonly found in Africa. He has however discover that the disease is rather general and he is affecti many cures. Of the work in general we read as follo from their letter:

"We are able to enjoy the Malagasy more now tha last term, because we can understand them and mak ourselves understood. They are genuinely glad to ha 'our doctor' back. There are more patients than befor and many come from 50 to 200 miles away. The nati guest houses with 32 tiny rooms, built for relatives the patients in the hospital, are now full all the tim

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with the out-patients and their relatives who come too ar to walk home at night. Some of the patients come n chairs or stretchers and should have hospital care. We hope that perhaps in another year we can provide hat, too.

"The hospital building project advanced a great deal nder the supervision of Missionary Laurel Johnson while we were gone. We now have a roof, floors, doors, nd windows. The main hospital building is almost ompleted, and work has begun on the kitchen. We lso need a laundry, houses for native personnel, elec- rical supplies, a well, beds, and other equipment, and t least one more missionary nurse. The two nurses we ave now are kept busy with the 100 to 150 patients who come each day. About ten a day are new patients. Another ten come back to the doctor for a final check- up after finishing their treatment, or for some new complaint. The rest come for shots of various kinds nd other medicines. Minor surgery and other treatment s done in the afternoons. Most of the teaching of Malagasy workers is also done in the afternoons."

COLOMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA

From Colombia, South America, we have just received a report of continued opposition to Protestant activity. This report concerns the building of a Protestant church in Bucaramanga, by the Presbyterians. The congregation there was formed in 1912 and has had an active program throughout the years with a membership of some over 100. It was when this group decided to build a new church and had received the government permit for its construction that agitation was begun which caused the officials to revoke the permit to build. The anti-Protestant agitation and resulting acts were contrary to the Constitution and a statement recently made by Dr. Evaristo Sourdis, Colombian Minister of Foreign Affairs, in which he said:

"Freedom of worship is Colombian constitutional law which is observed and endorsed by the government. In our country a person may be born, baptized, educated, married, die—in other words, develop his whole life—within his religious beliefs without any interference, but on the contrary may count upon the respect and protection of the government regarding these rights."

With this incident in mind, which is only one of a constantly increasing number of such instances, we are deeply thankful that we have the following word of encouragement from one of our Colombian co-workers who has been in an area of opposition and where they now are beginning work again and have received liberty to preach the Gospel and are hoping to rebuild the chapel that was destroyed by the anti-Protestant groups a few years ago. He writes as follows:

"The struggle in Colombia is a blessing, above all because it has given an opportunity to the newly-converted evangelicals to trust more fully in God, 'for it is better to hope in God than to trust in man.' People of importance are becoming interested in the work and I believe that the mixture of these persons and those of the middle class will tend to produce a fine (evangelical) work in Colombia.

"As to complete liberty to carry on our schools, the government has made no commitment. But with difficulty and sacrifice the work of education goes on, since, thanks to God, the battle as concerns evangelization is being won. In my last interview with the governor and the mayor, they told me that as far as worship is concerned we have complete liberty. I think you will remember that we did not have liberty to hold services, but by the goodness of God, by the 'patience of our Lord,' as St. Peter says, and not by our own strength. . . . I only pray the Lord that He may not abandon us no matter what happens and that He may always give us courage to fight to the finish against sin and injustice with the weapons of love and with the two-edged sword.

"The work of construction progresses even if a bit slowly due to the rain spoiling a lot of material for us. But we trust that by next year our little school will be ready and we continue with plans for building the parsonage, because as long as no pastor lives there it is almost impossible to further the work. One might say that it is a wonder that there is any progress at all trying to carry it on at a distance like that, for each time I go I come up against some problem that is bringing the work almost to a standstill. With the Holy Spirit there will be a solution, but the flesh, the world, and the devil sway and mislead the children of God."

CHINA

A European who has recently come to Hong Kong from Shanghai was interviewed by a missionary concerning conditions in the Shanghai area. It is rather interesting to get this report:

About the only group that is still enthusiastic for the Communist government is the student group. Farmers are worse off than before, and so are business people. They hope there will be war with America over the Formosa issue, as that would give them an opportunity to throw off the Communist yoke. Labor unions are allowed to squeeze private firms dry, but once a firm is taken over by the government the unions are told that now they are working for the people and they must be satisfied with less wages.

There are no money exchange shops left in Shanghai, but one can sell US notes or gold bars at any time to the Bank of China, with no questions asked. The Russian atmosphere of Avenue Joffre has disappeared, and most of the cafes there have been closed. The censorship of letters is very unobtrusive, but there is evidence

that some of them at least have been read by the police. There are almost no cars in Shanghai. "Except for the 'rush hours,' when one may see one or two cars, one can look along the whole street outside the Foreign Y.M.C.A. (Nanking Road) without seeing a single car." Gasoline is about US $3.50 a gallon.

Concerning the conditions of the Church in the Shanghai area, the following report was given:

The Foreign Y is used as a hostel for government people passing through Shanghai. He had not visited the Chinese Y's, but believed they were keeping up their activities. The Community Church is keeping up its attendance, but he says that "no foreigners attend for the simple reason that there are no foreign services," that is, no services except in the Chinese language.

The government has used two ways to get the churches to join the "Reform" movement. One is by persuasion, and the other is by the pocketbook. An unreformed church has to pay heavy land taxes, and if these are not paid promptly, there is a fine of one-half per cent per day. Financially, therefore, a church can exist only if it "reforms," for then it either pays no taxes, or the taxes are reduced to a minimum.

In the above report the term "reform movement" used in reference to the Church, means that the Church has become an organization collaborating with the Communist government, therefore a tool for its purposes. It is interesting from other sources to note that even though some churches are collaborating with the government, others have caused the government considerable embarrassment by refusing to conform. This is so widespread that the Communist press has mentioned it as one of its special problems. We are thankful for the churches that remain true to the message of redemption in Christ Jesus. Please pray for this Church that is under constant pressure by the Communist government.

Win With Christ

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company morning hymnsings, to be led by Pastor Oscar A. Anderson, convention song leader.

Six Midwest youth choirs will make up the Matins Choir, singing each morning under the direction of Pastor Erling Thompson. These choirs are from Augustana Academy, Canton, S. Dak.; First Lutheran Church, Duluth, Minn.; First Lutheran Church, Minot, N. Dak.; First Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; Grace Lutheran Church, Watertown, S. Dak.; and Trinity Lutheran Church, Madison, Wis.

Directed by Oscar R. Overby, the Choral Union will sing at the Sunday morning worship and will present its festival concert in the afternoon. The California Choral Union, directed by Pastor Victor Quello, will sing at the opening service.

Five talented Leaguers will win scholarships to ELC colleges in the Choral Union's vocal contest. On Saturday morning, participants in the vocal contest will sing as a choir under Arnold Running of the Augustana College faculty, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

And Lots of Special Events

There will be a liberal sprinkling of special interest groups during the convention week. For instance: Pastor G. S. Helgesen of Mitchell, S. Dak., will lead two workshop sessions on the Youth Education in Stewardship plan; Dar Roa will lead two on youth-to-youth evangelism. Pastor Clifford Swanson of Northfield, Minn. and Pastor David Preus of Vermillion, S. Dak. will meet with college students on the subject of "Evangelism on the Campus."

Two groups, one for Leaguers on personal problems and the other for pastors and counselors on counseling techniques, will meet with Dr. William E. Hulme, counselor for students at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa.

A former military chaplain, Pastor Cameron Hoff of Santa Monica, California, will lead a discussion for fellows who are facing service in the armed forces.

Thursday afternoon there will be an excursion to Muir Woods National Monument, across the Golden Gate Bridge from San Francisco. There Leaguers will take part in a brief service of silence and song in the natural cathedral among the giant redwoods. "Cry, the Beloved Country," a motion picture based on the novel of the same name by Alan Paton, and "I Believe," a film produced by the Luther League of the American Lutheran Church, are also slated for Thursday afternoon.

A noon recess of two and one half hours and a dinner recess from 4:45 to 7:45, plus all of Saturday afternoon, are left open to give Leaguers a chance to visit at least some of the many points of interest in the city of San Francisco. Guided tours of Chinatown by members of the Chinatown YMCA, a Bay cruise, and a bus trip to Home Mission churches of the Bay Area are being planned.

At 9:30 on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings, Leaguers may either choose to join a hymnsing in the Civic Square or see two plays, "The Mountain That Moved," and "The Mind's Mind," presented by Leaguers of the Christian Theatre of Vancouver, B.C.

Balance and variety, continuity and climax are in this convention program. Interest and color will be supplied by both program participants and audience. But God must give His life-creating Spirit if the convention is to Win with Christ. All the Church is a part of this great youth rally wherever faithful men and women pray that the Holy Spirit will give the Church's youth a Pentecost in San Francisco.

Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. Hestenes

TOWARD THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Epistle: II Peter 1:1-11

The Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

Monday, June 13
WHAT IS IT?

Read Acts 2:42-47

And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

If an outsider should step up to you and ask for a clear definition of what the Church is, would you be able to give such an answer? Many people outside the Church have very strange opinions about it, and many who are within the fold are foggy on just exactly what the Church is.

In a way people cannot be blamed, because the Church itself is at fault, to a certain degree. Sometimes the Church should stop right where it is and look itself over. It should give itself an examination. Is it on the track or is it off the track? Is it tending to God's business or is it fiddling "while Rome burns"?

"Back to the New Testament Church!" That is a good motto. Such a Church is an agency of the Holy Spirit and one that is made up of people who know they are saved.

Bless my Church, O God, and use it mightily to Thy glory. Amen.

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Tuesday, June 14
MERCY

Read John 8:1-11

And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again."

How kind it was of Jesus to do this! The woman was guilty of evil. As her accusers said, she was in line for a stiff penalty. But Jesus spoke kindly. Not because He approved of her wrong, but because He came to save her. He hated the sin, but He loved the sinner. He was not letting this woman "get by" with anything, nor was she permitted to walk away with the feeling that she was getting off easily. She was repentant and humble and grateful for the mercy shown her.

How glad we should be that God is merciful! Many of us know that God has not dealt with us according to our sins. It is nothing but His mercy that has made it so, and let us be careful that we do not tempt God by repeating sins so that His mercy shall be withdrawn.

If God is merciful, let us also show mercy. How quick we can be to judge others!

Thanks for Thy loving mercy, O God. Teach me to be merciful, too. Amen.

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Wednesday, June 15
WHERE WISDOM STARTS

Read Proverbs 9:1-10

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

A Christian knows that if you don't know God, everything else you know just does not make sense. There are many things that are useful to know, and there are some things that are necessary to know. God—His love and mercy—is one of those necessary things. If I know many things but am ignorant of the Bible, I am spiritually dumb. If I am lacking in a great deal of "book learning," but rich in Christian truth, I am wise. Wisdom begins and ends with God.

If these things are true, I should make it a point to increase my wisdom. The more I learn of God through Bible reading and by letting Him rule in my life, the wiser I shall be. And I will learn how to understand other things like science, history, and current events, and interpret them correctly. I will learn to think of everything in terms of God. Then I shall be wise with true wisdom.

Give me true wisdom, dear God. Amen.

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Thursday, June 16
WHAT I HAVE

Read Acts 3:1-10

"I have no silver and gold, but I give you what I have."

It is a good thing that Peter and John had no money with them that day when the lame man asked for help. A couple of coins in his cup would have made a pleasant sound, but that's where the story would have come to a close. They didn't have any silver and gold, but they had something else which was far better. "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk!" That's better than all the money in the world.

"What I have" is a wonderful possession, if I am a Christian. It can do wonders if I am willing to use it, set it loose, put it to work. Peter and John were anxious to put it to work. They knew it was a power that was able to make the lame man walk. Today Christians should use this same power to encourage people, to show them how to live in peace, to lead them to Christ.

"What I have" increases by use. And at the same time God and His Son are glorified.

Friday, June 17
NOW

Read Matthew 9:9-13

Jesus . . . said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

What if Matthew had said to himself, "The idea sounds fine, but I guess I will think it over for a while"? Or, what if he had reasoned, "It might be well for me to go into this with caution"? If he had done so, it is likely that the whole course of his life would have been different. As it was, he made an immediate response to Jesus. He got up, left what he was doing. He did it *now*.

Many people have been lost because they hesitated, put it off, forgot about the importance of *now*. When the call comes and is put on the shelf, there to await further consideration, the devil gets busy. He can offer a thousand reasons why you should wait. He is not such a fool as to tell you that to follow Christ is a poor idea. He is smarter than that; he operates in the area of "putting it off."

The right time is *now*.

Help me to respond to Thy will today, heavenly Father. Amen.

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Saturday, June 18
HE BELIEVED

Read Genesis 15:1-6

And he believed the Lord; and he reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Abram, or Abraham as he was later called, was a great believer. Such strange things no man before him had ever been asked to believe. Get up and leave your home, keep moving until you come to a land I will show you. Your new position will be father of a race. He believed all this! And God blessed him for it.

Belief is at once difficult and easy. It is difficult for those who try too hard. For such, too many things stand in the way. They try to reason things out. Those who let God give them faith find belief easy. A believer may not be able to go to the board and draw pictures of what he believes in, nor outline it thus and so, but he believes all the same.

Belief in the Lord is always reckoned unto the believer as righteousness, because by faith we are saved.

Lord, I believe. Help my unbelief. Give me the sort of faith that is firm and fruitful, that Thy Name may be honored. Amen.

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M. Olso

NEW SOVIET YOUTH ANGLE

East German Communist leaders have come up with a new angle in their campaign to estrange Soviet Zone youth from Christian influences, according to *Der Tag,* Christian Democratic daily of Berlin. Christian children are being accepted in East Zone high schools only if they agree to sever relations with their homes and take up residence in state-operated youth centers, the paper said. It added that, in some cases, concessions are made to young people willing only to spend their weekends and holidays in the institutions which, managed by Communist youth leaders, are strictly atheistic and materialist in their orientation.

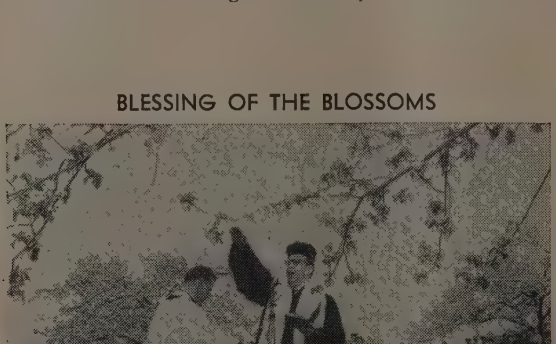
Commenting on the report, church leaders said the development promises to impose on Christian children in the Soviet Zone the "grave decision of renouncing higher education for the sake of their faith." They added that Christian families living near the youth centers should assume the "duty" of opening their homes to the students so the latter can spend at "least part of their leisure time in Christian surroundings."

U.S. CHINESE CHURCHES

Chinese Christian churches in the U.S. have shown rapid growth in recent years, but 90 per cent of the 117,000 Chinese in this country still are non-Christians, it was reported at the first nationwide conference of Chinese churches in America. Dr. Peter Y. F. Shih, who made the report, said a survey had disclosed serious problems in addition to the high percentage of non-Christians. These were listed: The existence of a great language barrier; lack of proficiency in Chinese on the part of many pastors of these congregations; some of the ministers, although Chinese, have never been in China while others are not even Chinese.

Another speaker, Dr. E. Lee of Oakland, California, expressed doubt that Chinese Christian congregations in the U.S. can be integrated in the American community in the near future, that such integration cannot be forced so that "Chinese churches as such will continue to exist for at least another 50 years." His view was, reportedly, a minority view at the conference.

BLESSING OF THE BLOSSOMS



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Several hundred persons attended a Blessing of the Blossoms service on a farm near Benton Harbor, Michigan. Shown giving the blessing is Rabbi B. Joseph Elefant of the Children of Israel Synagogue, while holding the microphone is the Rev. Frans A. Victorson, pastor of Saron Lutheran Church, St. Joseph.

NIEMOELLER STATUS NOT CLEAR

Pastor Martin Niemoeller, foreign secretary of the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKID) since the end of World War II, is either out of the office by virtue of his own resignation or on his way out. The reports are not clear as to the exact situation, although the latest one quotes Niemoeller as saying he will temporarily discontinue co-operation with EKID. In this case it probably will eliminate him as a Council member and, since the Council controls the foreign office, it would also affect that position.

In a letter to Bishop Otto Dibelius of Berlin, EKID head, Dr. Niemoeller said he was protesting against statements made recently in Weimar at the General Synod of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany. The Synod had requested that the EKID Council "affect a change in its offices, leadership, and policies. One speaker, Dr. F. Huebner, called for reorganization of EKID's foreign office as necessary for the sake of Lutheran parishes abroad and to secure the confidence of all EKID groups in its foreign office. Dr. V. Herntrich of Hamburg, another EKID Council member, declared at that meeting that the foreign office "does not direct its pastoral, spiritual, and organizational service but must be requested from it."

CATHOLIC DEMANDS IN GUATEMALA

A demand that the new Guatemalan constitution give Roman Catholicism a pre-eminent position over other religions and provide for compulsory Catholic education in all schools has been sent to the National Constituent Assembly by Archbishop Mariano Rossell Arellano of Guatemala City.

If this is not done, he said, the Church will take "a position of estrangement" and will be forced to the conclusion that the present regime is anti-Catholic rather than anti-Communist. He stressed that 95 per cent of Guatemalans are Catholics.

In spite of vigorous opposition from the Church earlier, the commission has

eady approved two articles guaran-eing freedom for all religions "with-t any pre-eminence" and giving legal atus to any religion or religious as-ciation. Another article guarantees edom of education.

The articles under attack must still considered by the full Assembly.

RO-SEGREGATION ETHODISTS

pro-segregation group of Methodist inisters and laymen from three south-n states have urged that the Metho-st General Conference make no move dissolve the Church's All-Negro entral Jurisdiction. The group, rmed at Birmingham, Alabama, last ar, has drawn its principal support om clergy and laity of the North Ala-ma and Alabama Methodist Confer-nces, although a number of persons om Mississippi and Georgia attended e meeting.

A resolution adopted by the group id that, *"Whereas,* the great body of Negro members are in the bounds of e Southeastern Jurisdiction, to wipe ut the Central Jurisdiction would pro-ide uncalled for problems of race." ne speaker charged that young peo-le of the Church are being subjected a "sort of brain-washing by high-owered speakers" on the subject of segregation. It would seem that the peaker would prefer to have the field himself and those who believe as he oes.

NEW CHAPEL AT M.I.T.

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This unusual chapel, designed in cylindrical form, and intended to serve students of all faiths, was dedicated in May on the campus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. The brick structure has no windows. It is 30 feet high and 50 feet in diameter, with a seating capacity of 126. Adjacent to it is an auditorium seating 1,200. The two buildings form part of a new campus student center. When completed the structure will be encircled with a water-filled moat at the base and will have an aluminum spire superimposed at the top.

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

Missionaries must shift their approach from one of "saving individuals" to one of concentrating on developing native leaders and national Churches if their cause is to survive, warned the president of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, Dr. Harry L. Turner of New York. . . . A considerable increase in arrivals under the U.S. Refugee Relief Act has brought the number of Lutheran sponsored newcomers under this law from 61 at the end of 1954 to a total of 550 as of April 30, 1955. . . . The United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Australia and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Australia have reached a stalemate in their negotiations toward merger. Conversations have bogged down because of conflicting views on practical issues, particularly the question of UELCA's membership in the Lutheran World Federation. The ELCA is affiliated with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in the U.S.

The Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association has announced that it will proceed with its own ban of indecent literature without waiting for action by the state legislature. Members will receive lists of literature considered by the association to be unfit for juvenile reading. . . . Theological doctrine or denomination are of secondary concern to new Protestant residents of suburban areas in their selection of a church, according to a Presbyterian pastor from Virginia in an address to the Presbytery of Washington. He said a recent survey showed that suburban "religious shoppers" are interested first in the minister; second in the Sunday school; third in the convenient location of the church; fourth in the denomination, its theology and form of church government; and fifth in the music.

ARABS HOLD EVANGELICAL CONFERENCE

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ese Protestant church leaders from Arab countries attended an Evangelical Conference the Arab world at Beirut, Lebanon, the first meeting of its kind. Present were represen-tives from various denominations, including: Presbyterians, Anglicans, Lutherans, United esbyterians, Church of God, and Society of Friends. Countries sending delegates included: ria, Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan, Egypt and the Sudan. The sessions were conducted in abic. Theme of the meeting was "Christ calls the Churches of the Near East to Mission d Unity."

LUTHERAN COLLEGE FOR CALIFORNIA

For several years, the representatives of Lutheran Church bodies in California have studied the question of a senior liberal arts college for the greater Los Angeles area. At the California District Convention held on April 25-27, the following resolution was adopted, which is quoted in its entirety, because it will also serve as a progress report on the present status of this project in our Church.

A national committee composed of the educational representatives of the various Lutheran church bodies of the National Lutheran Council is now being organized to continue to work with the representatives of the districts in California.

Orville Dahl
Executive Secretary
Division of Higher Education

Greetings in the Name of Jesus:

Whereas, As Christians we recognize that "except the Lord build the house," we are laboring in vain; and,

Whereas, The bringing of this program of a college in California to the throne of God in prayer is of prime importance; and

Whereas, An unofficial inter-synodical committee composed of members of the ALC, ELC, and UELC has been exploring at the local level the various phases of promotion of the cause of higher education in California; and

Whereas, The California District of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in convention assembled, has unanimously approved the establishment of a Lutheran Senior Liberal Arts College in California and has faithfully devoted itself to this objective in prayer, purpose, and practice seeking to find ways and means whereby this witness in Christian higher education could be made to the glory of God and the blessing of our Church; and,

Whereas, The Board of Christian Education and the General Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Church has, by unanimous vote, endorsed a Lutheran Senior Liberal Arts College in California and instructed that ways and means be devised to accomplish this objective; and,

Whereas, The district, conference, and synodical organizations of our sister bodies of the Lutheran faith, of which their churches in California are parts, have also expressed their approval of this project and their willingness to participate; and

Whereas, An inter-synodical national, survey comm sion composed of the educational officers and represe tatives of the major bodies of the National Luther Council have published the results of a three-year stu favoring the establishment of the proposed college a advised that it deemed it most practical to incorpora govern, and operate the proposed college as a cooperati joint, inter-synodical project; and,

Whereas, In diligent service the Committee on Hig er Education of the California District of the ELC, t officers of the district, and elected representatives ha patiently and fruitfully studied the various proble associated with this project and have reported to t district, in convention assembled, favoring the positi forward progress of this project; and,

Whereas, The California District of the ELC h accumulated and will continue to accumulate funds i its so-called 60 per cent account; and,

Whereas, It now appears that funds will be needed the promotion, capital outlay and otherwise toward th establishing of a senior college in California, Therefor

Be It Resolved: (A) That the responsibility and th privilege of prayer for this college be placed upon th hearts of all who are interested in the expansion of th cause of Christian higher education, and that the com mittee be specifically asked to pray and to ask for praye on its behalf; and

(B) That the California District express its prayerfu concern for the welfare of this project and invite all wh deem it important to pray that God will further th objective in our midst; and,

(C) That this district body stands ready to join wit any and all Lutheran bodies in California, through a Inter-Synodical California College Committee, to ad vance this project through Christian fellowship and th harmony of Christian action; and,

(D) That, believing that such a joint effort is com mendable, Dr. Gaylerd Falde, Mr. Rolf Bodding, Pasto Lyle B. Gangsei, Pastor Rudolph Ramseth, and Pasto Erling Wold be named to be representatives of thi District Body in such an Inter-Synodical Committee an empower these representatives to invite, in Jesus' name the officers and members of the other Lutheran bodie in California to join in furthering this common objec tive; and,

(E) That this Inter-Synodical Committee for a Co lege in California cooperate with the educational officer of the national bodies to plan, promote, direct, an

xecute such measures as are approved by the usual ajority in the Committee for the establishment of the roposed college; and,

(F) That if the representatives of the other partici-ating bodies in the Inter-Synodical Committee concur, ncorporate that committee with power to receive and anage such gifts of money and property as, through he grace of God, our brethren and friends may be in-lined to use for the purpose; and,

(G) That this expression of concern for this project e commended and placed before the proper boards of ne participating bodies requesting financial assistance nd all other forms of cooperation so that this worthy nstitution may become a reality; and,

(H) That this district grants to its representatives on ne Inter-Synodical Committee the authority to 1) or-anize itself as a distinct committee of this District, xclusive of the Inter-Synodical Committee, 2) organize self in such a way so that it may lawfully receive and anage any money or property which any donor(s) ay wish to entrust to this district of the ELC for the urpose of advancing this cause; and 3) draw upon he funds of this District reserved for the establishment f this project with such expenditures approved by the istrict council if it is impractical to obtain such approval f such expenditures by the district in convention as-embled; and,

(I) That the representatives of the district, as a district committee, shall request the Board of Christian Education of the ELC to create a reserve fund for the establishing of the proposed college and be requested to place $10,000 per annum into this fund, looking to the day of decision when the establishment of the proposed college is a reality, at which time these reserve funds shall be used to assist in the obtaining of such services, land, buildings, or equipment as may be deemed expedient by the committee of this district in consultation with the Inter-Synodical Committee and the proper bodies of the ELC; and,

(J) At least semi-annually, through the office of the president of this district make a proper progress report and financial accounting to the congregations of the district; and

(K) That congregations and individuals everywhere raise concerted and continuous prayer to God so that He might, in His wisdom, grant us that "sense of one-ness" which will hasten the day when this institution will open its doors to the youth of the land who desire an education in a Christian academic community; and,

(L) That the Convention assembled designate funds already accumulated and those which continue to be accumulated in the so-called 60 per cent account of the district, as the higher education fund to be used for the purposes of advancing the cause of higher education in the district through promotion, capital outlay or other necessary expenditures.

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SOUTH DAKOTA CHURCH BURNS MORTGAGE

he accompanying picture was taken at the close of the forenoon service at Zion Church, Garretson, S. Dak., March 27, when the paid-up mortgage incurred four years ago upon he completion of the congregation's $125,000 church was burned. The two clergymen ppearing in the picture are the Rev. E. W. Rossing, pastor loci, and Dr. L. A. Pierson, resident of the South Dakota District. The lighters in the foreground are children of the astor. The others are officers of the congregation.

PERSONS

The Rev. Erling C. Grevstad, pastor of Our Saviour's-Rocky River Church in Cleveland, Ohio, has accepted a call to North Cape, Wis., (post office address, R. 1, Franksville, Wis.). He will move there June 1.

The Rev. Leif E. Evans, pastor of First Lutheran Church, Bemidji, Minn., is on a European trip, accompanied by his wife. After having visited England, Denmark, and Sweden they arrived in Oslo, Norway about May 10. Pastor Evans writes enthusiastically about a well-attended service in one of the larger Oslo churches where he and Mrs. Evans worshiped May 15.

The Rev. Richard E. Hofstad, Cresston, Ill., will begin as visitation pastor in Our Saviour's parish, Beloit, Wis. by Sept. 15.

The Rev. Gustavs Kness-Knezinskis of Oakland, Calif., ELC evangelist working especially among Latvians, is at present hospitalized.

The Rev. Paul S. Reque, pastor since 1946 at Redwood Falls, Minn., has accepted a call to the Black Hammer-Trinity-Riceford parish, Spring Grove, Minn., effective Aug. 1.

The Rev. and Mrs. K. R. Palmer

celebrated May 15 their golden wedding in Glenwood Church, Glenwood, Minn. Pastor Palmer until recently served the East and West Zion parish near Starbuck, Minn. He and his wife are now living in Glenwood.

DISTRICTS

North Dakota

Brinsmade, N. Dak. The Lake Region Circuit YPLL met at Brinsmade May 14-15. Guest speakers were the Rev. Carroll Hinderlie, ELC youth director, and Dr. George Aus of St. Paul. The Brinsmade parish, which consists of three congregations: Brinsmade, St. Olaf, and Big Coulee, went on a self-supporting basis at the beginning of the present year. The Rev. David J. Campbell is the parish pastor.

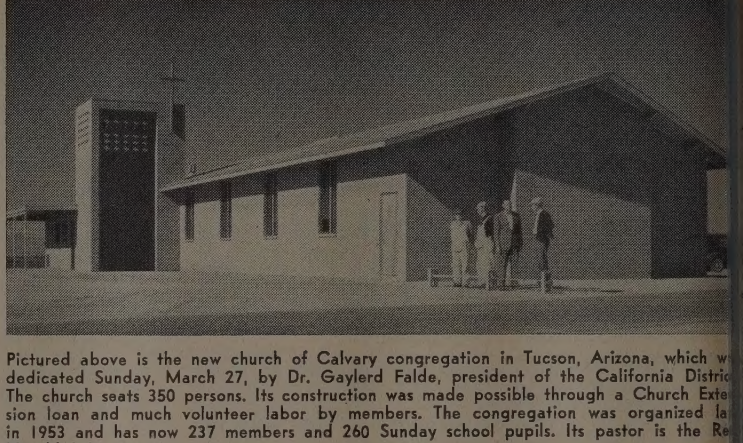
Beach, N. Dak. The fiftieth anniversary of First Lutheran congregation is July 16-17, instead of June.

Jamestown, N. Dak. Ground was broken May 15 as the initial step in the erection of a new church building by Trinity Church, parish of the Rev. J. A. Nestingen. It is hoped that the new fane will be ready for occupancy in the summer of 1956.

South Dakota

Vermillion, S. Dak. Rural Pleasant Valley Church, parish of the Rev. P. L. Loken, had its new $30,000 church building dedicated Sunday forenoon, May 8, by Dr. L. A. Pierson, president of the South Dakota District. In the afternoon the congregation celebrated its 80th anniversary. Guest speaker was the Rev. Richard Nelson, a son of the congregation.

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED IN ARIZONA CITY



Pictured above is the new church of Calvary congregation in Tucson, Arizona, which w dedicated Sunday, March 27, by Dr. Gaylerd Falde, president of the California Distric The church seats 350 persons. Its construction was made possible through a Church Exte sion loan and much volunteer labor by members. The congregation was organized la in 1953 and has now 237 members and 260 Sunday school pupils. Its pastor is the Re Harold J. Larsen.

Yankton, S. Dak. Trinity Church, parish of the Rev. C. G. Lygre, received 77 new members on May 8. Five of these were by adult baptism and nine by adult confirmation. This church broadcasts its services every Sunday over Station KYNT.

Rocky Mountain

Missoula, Mont. Young people of St. Paul's Church, parish of the Rev. Glenn Husby, have been having matins from 8 to 8:15 every school day morning during Advent and Lent for the past two years, and they are this year continuing them also after Easter. A different youth leads this service from day to day. About 35 students have participated in these matins.

California

Aina Haina, Hawaii. Calvar Church, parish of the Rev. Stanl Gjervik, has let the contract for th construction of its first church buil ing, which will seat 250. The chanc will be flanked by a choir room an a sacristy.

ALC AT SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION

The American Lutheran Church wi participate in the coming Internation YPLL convention at San Francisc both in music and instruction. Th Chapel Choir of Capital Universit Columbus, Ohio, will present so numbers on Sunday afternoon at th Choral Union. This is a free contribu tion to the convention by this note choir. Other choirs of the America Lutheran Church in the Bay area wi also be invited to sing in the Chor Union concert, as well as UELC yout and choirs. A noted youth counsel will be present for two afternoons wit pastors and counselors, 3:00-4:45, an for Thursday morning 11:15-11:45 fo the whole convention. Dr. Williar Holme of Wartburg College has gaine a reputation in American youth circl for his fine books and excellent brie ing sessions on youth problems.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pingree Church, Pingree, N. Dak will celebrate its 50th anniversary o June 26. Speakers will be the Re Hans Upstad and Miss Helen Frost.

The 17th Luther Academy, olde Lutheran pastors' institute in the coun try, will be held July 12-21 at War burg Theological Seminary, Dubuqu

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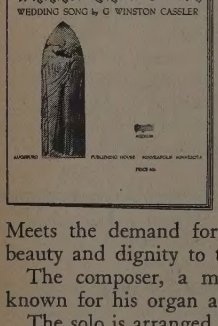

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At Estes Park, Colorado, National itheran Council summer church serv- s will be held every Sunday during ne, July, and August at 10:30-11:30 n. Sunday school and get-acquainted ur will be at 9:30 a.m.

First Lutheran Church, Beach, N. ık., will celebrate its fiftieth anniver- y **July 16-17,** not in June as earlier roneously announced.

Attention REA members: A 32 volt elco light plant is wanted by the ELC kimo Mission at Teller. Write (air ail) the Rev. Norval Hegland, Teller, aska.

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Laboratory Technician wanted in 48 bed hospital in southeastern South Dakota. Room or apartment available to accommodate either single or married applicant. 416-15F

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Young college graduate wanted to start as trainee for insurance position, on salaried basis. 416-18G

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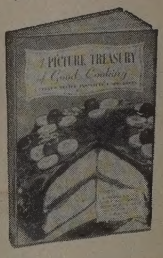

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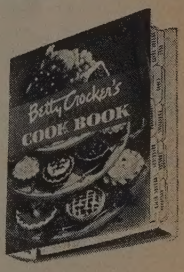

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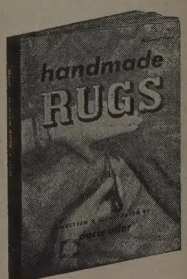

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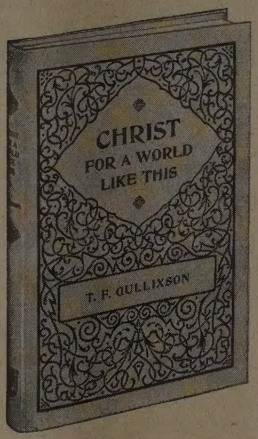

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